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PROPAGATION: Mar 8, High/Low Normal; Mar 9, Below Normal; Mar 10, Low Normal; Mar 11, Disturbed; Mar 12, Below Normal/Disturbed; Mar 13-15, Below Normal; Mar 16, 17, Low Normal. TNX N4XX.

| Flux (81) | Flux (82) | Date | Flux (83) | Alpha (83) | K (83) |
|--------------|--------------|------|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| 228 | 177 | 2/23 | 114 | 13 | 4 |
| 241 | 188 | 2/24 | 117 | 11 | 2 |
| 239 | 188 | 2/25 | 123 | 6 | 3 |
| 243 | 208 | 2/26 | 129 | 4 | 2 |
| 240 | 206 | 2/27 | 141 | 7 | 3 |
| 232 | 228 | 2/28 | 140 | 7 | 4 |
| 251 | 236 | 3/1 | 148 | 15 | 4 |
| 246 | 232 | 3/2 | 141 | 51 | 4 |

United Arab Emirates: A6XJC QSL cards will count for DXCC, beginning immediately. License documentation for that station only has been received at ARRL Headquarters through the efforts of WB2OHD. According to Don Search, any stations active from A6 after Feb, 1979, which can produce similar documentation will also be eligible for DXCC credit status. Don says the problem is that only about twenty per cent of UAE residents are citizens (and eligible for licensing). Some active stations, such as A6XAE, would not appear to be eligible for the sort of documentation which 'XJC got.

BOUVET: RUMORS out of Norway say JW4GN is trying for a Bouvet operation in June of July. However, a local who talked to a certain LA station, who claimed to be in their office of telecommunications, said he knew of no license applications on file. Unless we are confused, we believe that June/July would be winter, and the worst possible time for an assault on Bouvet.

CHINA: BY1PK should be on from their new building/antenna any time now. BY8AA still appears on 14 MHz CW but only makes a handful of contacts each time, apparently due to lack of ability in handling the pileups.

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STRONGER DXERS NINE WAYS*

1. You can replace your tribander with a Telrex 5-element 20.
2. The money you save on antennas you can spend on a subscription to TDXB.
3. Rare DX will put their low-band antennas back up.
4. More people will work CW because 20-Meter Phone will be jammed.
5. You will only have to look for DXpeditions on one band - 20 Meters.
6. The neighbor who has TVI on 10 Meters will get off your back.
7. You can work a contest both single-band 80 and single-band 10 and be competitive on both.
8. There will be less competition when the fair weather DXers give up (and many of them will move to VHF, where more activity is always needed).
9. More people will be able to claim to be genuine "Old Timers," having operated through a complete sunspot cycle.

* Or, "Real men don't work lists."

Current TRINDADE callsign seems to be PY1EFM/PYØT, not PY1EFW. The 2300Z lists on 14220 are being carried over from day to day and are very poorly run. Still no sign of PYØTA by PY1RR.

Why didn't we think of that Department: Someone mentioned that "HKØLR" is really "5KØLR" in plain old Colombia. We'll put that down as another argument against code-free licensing!

Someone who got through to 3V8PS the other day (14201 at 2000Z) says he appears to be a new operator (not in the '83 Callbook-ed). He can work transceive only and is just starting to understand how to "work by districts," but he does hang in there. QSL to "Peter," Box 473, Tunis, Tunisia.

Peter and Paul Rocks expedition mentioned in Issue 179 left Germany Feb 25 and are due on the air as we write this (Mar 3). Expect them to stay 4-5 days. Their call was to be PYØSA and QSL info will be announced.

DJ3NG and DJ6SI, scheduled to open from SPRATLY about March 22 or 23, are awaited. We are praying for 1) some decent propagation, and 2) that their documentation will hold up. It will take more than a few photos of the water to prove they were actually on one of the unoccupied (safe) islands in the chain!

5R8AL, the elusive Alain, was heard to say the other day that his "local licensing agency" authorizes only him to use the call 5R8AL. We suppose this means you will be hearing F6EXV/5R8 starting Mar 13 or so.

A clarification on Mozambique licensing... we said there is "no licensing authority," when in fact there is. They simply do not grant amateur radio licenses at this time. The licenses are given for commercial traffic only, so folks like ON6BC can communicate to his home country.

And talk is that XZ9A, now signing 1Z9A, hopes DXCC country status will result. the "I" callsign block is for places having no official prefix, such as 1AØKM and 1S1DX.

Regarding No Code licensing in the U.S., one reader in the D.C. area wrote to point out that no one will be affected below 144 MHz (i.e., DXers), and mentioned the always present possibility that we could lose some frequencies at 220 MHz and above if they aren't more heavily populated soon. On the other hand, ARRL points out in their March QST editorial that those youngsters who want to ride the computer craze into amateur radio aren't likely to be deterred by a simple 5 wpm code test.

Something else which a number of people continue to point out is that Japan has a no-code license...and they are way ahead

of us in most areas of consumer electronics. Get the connection? Well, we don't. We personally think the U.S. is falling behind and behind because too many of our engineers are employed designing bombs instead of stereos.

We mention this merely to encourage you to follow the story in QST and elsewhere, and to send your comments to FCC.

FINALLY it is official: San Marino will change their prefix from M1 to T7 on Apr 20, 1983.

Sierra Leone will have their field day Apr 9/0900 to Apr 10/0900. Look for 9L1FD, 9L2FD, and 9L3FD on 7060, 14310, 21360, and 28600.

Dick Tanis, WA4IKZ, currently stationed in Saudi Arabia, will operate from Macao twice this year: Mar 14-20 and again May 2-8. CW only, Dick says, mostly 20 Meters around 14025. He's going to the Solomons in September and will keep us posted. QSL to WA4IKZ c/b address or to Dick Tanis, CC906, Box 167, Saudi Arabian Airlines, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. CR9T.

G4AVW/ST3 runs 10 watts to a dipole, and was found last week on 28538 at 1330Z. QSL to Communications Department, PO BOX 2632, Khartoum, Sudan.

About those rumors of a Philippine expedition to Spratly...we have it on the best of authority that a station signing (for example) DU1CK/IS would count as DU, not as Spratly. You figure it out!

YBØABV (W4VN) corrected our recent list of the "last time Top Twenty" Survey stations were on...he sent a photocopy of a QSL from VU7GV, Andamans, January, 1976. VU7GV isn't in the latest Callbook but the card says he's one G.V. Sulu (arm photon torpedos, Mr. Sulu!).

Second-class mail subscribers: for your information, Issue 179 was mailed Feb 18, and Issue 180 was mailed Feb 25. This issue (181) will be mailed Mar 4. If you want, get a "Customer Service Card" at your local post office, fill it out, and mail to the Postmaster, Vernon CT 06066. Issues are always mailed on Friday, and dated either the following Monday or the following Tuesday.

BANDPASS: Call/Frequency/UTC (plus West, Central, East Coast report)/Date

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|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| A22DC 21289 19E 24 | FR0GGL 7003 02E 20 | UI8OAG 14026 02E 27 | 4K1D 14021 01E 25 |
| A71BJ 28544 14E 26 | FR0GGL 7002 03E 22 | UI8OAA 14026 02E 27 | 4S7WP 14031 23E 24 |
| A71AD 14209 15E 28 | FY7KRU 14202 12E 27 | UK8JAA 14063 03E 26 | 4S7WP 14035 03E 27 |
| BV2A 14040 13E 23 | HC1SK 3507 10E 28 | UK8XBD 14232 04E 27 | VE7CZH/ |
| BY8AA 14048 01E 20 | HH2VP 7002 00E 25 | UJ8SAD 14243 02E 27 | 4U 28578 12E 26 |
| BY8AA 14020 02E 26 | HK2DP 3505 10E 28 | UM8QAH 14011 04E 26 | 5B4LP 28631 15E 27 |
| BY8AA 14048 01E 28 | HP3JRP 14030 00E 23 | VP8AOD 14225 22C 25 | 5H3BH 14232 13E 23 |
| CN8CO 7004 06E 25 | H21AB 7006 02E 20 | (S. Orkneys) | 5H3DM 21290 20E 25 |
| CN8EU 28503 18E 26 | JA5CZE 3503 11E 28 | VR6KY 21300 23E 28 | 5H3BH 28590 16E 27 |
| C53EC 21331 21W 26 | JT1AO 14030 13E 26 | VR6KB 14060 04E 2 | 8R5AL 21329 18E 23 |
| ON6BC/ | JT1BH 14019 02E 27 | VS5HG 14202 16W 24 | 5R8AL 21331 19E 28 |
| C9 14210 20E 21 | JW4GN 14022 18W 24 | VS5GA 14203 16W 24 | 5T5TO 28028 16C 23 |
| ON6BC/ | JY9RC 21279 16E 26 | VS5HG 21345 23E 24 | 5T5ZR 14025 23E 24 |
| C9 21024 18E 24 | J28DM 14028 21E 24 | VS6DO 7009 12E 21 | 5T5RY 14211 01W 25 |
| ON6BC/ | J5HTL 21345 23E 24 | VS6DX 14237 14E 27 | 5T5TO 21029 00E 26 |
| C9 21255 19E 27 | KC4AAA 14277 05E 1 | VU2AU 14225 03E 27 | 5T5RR 21285 21E 28 |
| ON6BC/ | KG6RT 3502 11E 24 | YB0ACP 14203 14E 26 | 5Z4WL 21258 19E 24 |
| C9 21295 21E 27 | KH7AA 14229 03E 24 | YI1BGD 14206 12C 24 | 5Z4DE 21283 19E 25 |
| ON6BC/ | KH7AA 14222 04W 25 | YK1AO 14209 14C 19 | 5Z4DE 14214 13E 28 |
| C9 21296 22W 27 | M1C 21036 15E 26 | ZB2FK 28614 13E 27 | 7P8CI 21258 20E 27 |
| WB0LQS/ | OD5IM 14255 17W 24 | ZD7BW 21337 18E 28 | 7P8CG 21302 19E 28 |
| DU6 14229 12E 27 | W2BBK/ | ZD9BX 21335 19E 26 | 7P8CL 7003 04E 2 |
| DUI MEL 14222 14E 28 | PJ7 3524 10E 28 | ZK1MA 21321 19E 28 | 7Q7LW 21353 20E 25 |
| D44BC 14215 05E 26 | PYLEFM/ | ZK2RS 3801 13W 26 | 7X2LS 14212 00E 24 |
| D44BC 28616 13E 27 | PY0T 14218 23W 23 | ZK2RS 28524 22E 26 | 7X4AN 3501 02E 28 |
| D44BC 3799 05E 28 | PZ1DV 7015 02E 27 | ZS3YJ 7005 03E 2 | 9K2QL 14245 18E 28 |
| EA8QE 14024 00E 24 | P29CB 14212 12E 12 | Z21FN 28040 16E 26 | 9L1YL 21279 01E 1 |
| EA8VI 21032 19E 25 | ST2SA 14215 15W 25 | Z22JK 21280 17C 26 | 9M2DW 14013 01E 25 |
| EA5YU/ | SV1JG 14204 16W 25 | Z29A 14225 16W 26 | 9M2AX 14032 01E 27 |
| EA8 14030 00E 26 | S79WHW 14262 03E 23 | F2LY/ | 9X5MB 21289 20E 24 |
| EA8LD 3796 05E 27 | S79ARB 21370 18E 26 | 3A 28540 15C 27 | |
| EA9NG 21269 17E 23 | S79WHW 21370 17E 27 | 3B8FE 14250 03E 23 | Mail reports to reach |
| EA9HY 14216 01E 27 | TJ1GH 14212 03E 24 | 3B8FK 21024 17E 26 | Vernon by Wednesday, or |
| EL2ED 14226 23W 23 | TL8ER 14025 21E 25 | 3B8DB 14212 14W 26 | |
| FB8WI 14020 013E 25 | TL8TX 28637 15E 27 | 3B8DA/ | phone 203-871-7699. |
| FB8WI 14024 13E 26 | TT8AD 21038 00C 24 | 3B9 14212 13C 23 | |
| FB8WI 14019 13E 27 | TU2DD 14047 00E 24 | 3D6AJ 21293 19E 28 | Best contributor of in- |
| FB8ZQ 14033 03E 26 | TU2JL 21269 22E 28 | 3D6AJ 14221 04E 1 | formation each month wins |
| FB8ZQ 28008 13E 28 | TU2HJ 14206 04E 28 | 3V8PS 14201 23E 27 | a free year of <u>TDXB</u> . Win- |
| FB8ZQ 14277 02E 1 | T30DB 21293 19E 28 | 3V8PS 14201 02E 28 | ner for February is Ted |
| FB8CB 28504 13E 26 | UK1PGO 14203 15E 28 | LA2EX/ | Demopolis, KALY, in a |
| FM0AX 28047 13E 28 | UK9OAZ 14202 15E 28 | 3X1 21345 22E 27 | very close race. |

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| DX CALL | QSL TO | | | | | | |
| CQ1OF | WA3HUP | PJ8UQ | W3HNK | ZS3TL | W7PHO | 5Z4CS | J11VLV |
| C31NP | EA3BNX | PZ5DX | K3BYV | 3A2EE | F9RM | 5Z4WL | DL3WL |
| C6ACZ | WB4OSN | SV0AA | N2OO | 3V8AA | IS0LYN | 6W8DS | WA4VDE |
| C6ADC | N4BPO | TL8DC | F6EWM | 4K0A | UA1MU | 7P8CL | SM5GOJ |
| DUIBQ | DUIPAR | TL8GE | F6PYD | 4K1CR | UA3CR | 8P6J | N6TR |
| EK9C/0 | UK9CAE | TR8GM | F6ESH | 4K1D | UA1AFM | 9J2BO | W6ORD |
| EL2AD | WA3HUP | TT8BC | K4PHE | 5B4MN | VE7DLM | 9J2MT | JARL |
| EL9B | KD4ZS | TU2HJ | W3HNK | 5H3BH | SM0EAI | 9J2TY | JH3DPB |
| FK8CE | K2ROR | T32AB | N7YL | 5H3MI | SM5KDK | 9K2BE | G4GIR |
| FM7CF | WB3AKI | UK1PGO | UK3SAB | 5J3LR | HK3DDD | 9L1EX | LA2EX |
| FY7YE | W5JLU | VE3DFD/J7 | VE3DUS | 5T5DX | W2TK | 9L1FC | WA0CAE |
| F6FIC/TZ | F6CRS | VP2EAA | W0RLX | 5T5RR | FLANH | 9N1AW | W1GAY |
| F9UW/3A | F9UW | VP2ES | K8CV | 5T5RY | F6FNU | 9N1NFO | W1GAY |
| HC8GI | W3HNK | VP2EU | K8MR | 5T5TO | F6BUM | 9V1VV | JM1FHL |
| HH2BM | W6RP | VP2MIX | W0IJN | 5X5FS | EI9G | | |
| HH2VP | W1FJ | VP2MTT | WB3JJL | | | | |
| HK0BKX | WB4QPH | VP8AOC | K0JW | | | | |
| H44SH | AD1S | VP8AOD | K0JW | | | | |
| H5AK | WB2ULI | VP8AOE | K0JW | | | | |
| JW4GN | LA9VX | VP8AQU | K0JW | | | | |
| JW5VAA | LA4YW | VQ9CI | KE4OC | | | | |
| JX6RE | LA6RE | W6KG/A7 | YASME | | | | |
| JY3ZH | DJ9ZB | XL1ASJ | VE1ASJ | | | | |
| J37XC | W2BJI | XT2AW | KN1DPS | | | | |
| J88AQ | W2MIG | ZB2EO | K3MNV | | | | |
| KC7UU/5N6 | K6EDV | ZD7SE | KALDE | | | | |
| KP2G | KM5D | ZD8MF | ZD8AR | | | | |
| N0ZO/DU2 | K0LST | ZD8TM | ZD8AR | | | | |
| N4NW/6W8 | AK3F | ZF2AF | W0GI | | | | |
| PJ8II | N8II | ZF2AO | VE1AVX | | | | |

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CE0EVG
FK8EJ
TG9VT
TU2JL
9X5BG

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CALENDAR

P/P Rocks PY0SA on until about Mar 8 or 9; I 179
 U.A.E. A6XJC cards now good for DXCC; I 181
 Uganda 5X5FS on Now, QSL EI9G; I 180
 Trindade PY1EFM/PY0T on now; I 180, 181
 Kuwait 9K2QL by YASME on now; I 180

Sudan G4AVW on 10 Meters now /ST3; I 181
 Tunisia 3V8PS on Now; I 181
 China BY1PK due on again soon; I 181
 Burma XZ5A became 1Z5A 2/28/83; I 181
 Rodriguez 3B8DA/3B9 on now, barely

Crozet FB8WI very active now
 N Cooks ZK1WL CW only by ZL3AHF, no reports
 Montserrat VP2MKD now to Mar 10
 Antigua V2AMK now to Mar 10 by K9MK
 Brunei VS5 by K5YY ends Mar 8; I 180

Malaysia 9M6 by K5YY Mar 9-15; I 180
 Maldives 8Q7AH by HB9TL Now to Mar 23
 Malagasy F6EXV/5R8 or 5R8AL Mar 13-27
 Macao CR9T by WA4IKZ Mar 14-20; I 181
 Singapore 9V1 by K5YY Mar 16-18; I 180
 SPRATLY IS1SI/IS3NG Mar 22-28; I 180
 Chad TT8 by DJ5RT and TJ1GH Mar 20-27
 St Maarten K3UOC/PJ6 and /PJ8 Mar 26-31
 Macao Possible late Mar by KL7IHP; I 172
 St Maarten K3UOC/PJ7 Apr 1-3
 Hong Kong KL7IHP/VS6 Mar 26-Apr 2
 Sierra Leone Field Day Apr 9/10; I 181

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